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THE VALUE OF MICA.

Mica has been found in various localities within the borders of this State, but generally in so small veins or deposits to be made remuneratively available. Its real commercial value depends principally in the size of the sheets or blocks it may be found in as well as the quality. A Reno Gazette reporter has been shown several sheets of mica taken from a deposit north of pyramid Lake, where it is said to be in abundance, in flat veins from two to four inches thick. The samples shown were quite pure and of a silvery whiteness, and almost as flexible as paper. If the material is to be found in any great quantity, the discovery is a valuable one. To the uninformed it may appear strange, but mica to-day is a staple article of commerce. The fact that mica used in stoves must be replaced almost annually creates a steady demand. Its application to shoes has recently been patented whereby soles, at a trifling expense, are made waterproof. And whenever the quantity of mica produced is sufficient to supply the demand and the prices reduced, then new uses and applications of it will arise. As a lubricator it stands pre-eminent, owing to its non-friction qualites. Several patents exist which this mineral, in a ground state, combined with oil, is used to lubricate machinery. The market value of mica is great and at the present time the demand is such that it cannot be supplied. A piece of mica 4x4 inches fiveeights of an inch thick, will weigh one pound, and has a market value of \$4. A piece three by six inches one-half an inch thick, will weigh one pound and has a market value of \$4,60, and a like relative portion of value exists except in the smallest pieces, say one-half by two inches, which have a value of fifty cents per pound, and all the refuse and trimmings of the mica are readily sold to parties who pulverize them for use in the manufacture of nitro-glycerine and other dangerous explosives. It will thus be seen that in mica mining we have an industry worthy of development, and one which requires no expensive manipulation of the product after it is mined.

A VALLEY OF DEATH. -A valley surpassing in reality of horrors the fabled region of the upas tree, has been discovered in the Island of Java. This island is volcanic, and in one spot the emanations from the interior of the earth are so deadly that the place is called the Valley of Death. As the traveler approaches it he is attacked with nausea and giddiness. He also notices a sufficating smell. As he advances these symptoms disappear, so that, after passing through the belt of fetid air which guards the valley, the visitor is able to examine with less risk the spectacle before him. A recent traveler describes the valley as being an oval about one mile in circumference, and about thirty to forty feet below the surrounding land. The floor of the valley is flat, dry, without any vegetation, and scattered all over it are the skeletons of men, tigers, wild boars, birds and stags, lying among blocks of stone. No stream or smoke is to be seen, nor any crevice apparent in the earth, which appears to be as hard as rock. The hills which hem in this valley of desolation are clothed from base to summit with healthy trees and bushes. The traveler whom we have quoted descended the side of one hill. with the aid of a bamboo stick, to about eighteen feet from the bottom, and he compelled a dog to go down to the plain. In five seconds the animal fell on its side motionless, although it continued to breathe for eighteen minutes. Another dog died in ten minutes; a fowl only resisted the deadly air for a minute and a half, and was dead before he reached the bottom. It is believed that the human skeletons are those of malefactors who have sought refuge here, ignorant of the fatal influence of the air they came to breathe. The neighboring mountains are volcanic, but they neither emit sulphurous odors, nor do they present any indications of recent eruption.

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A GENUINE CASE OF "JIM-JAMS."

[Dublin (Ga.) Gazette.] Last Sunday evening some of the young nen went out to take a stroll, and during the ramble visited stubb's fish-pond, just inside the incorporated limits. Among those who constituted the party was a Mr. Cox, from Macon, who, near the dam, spied a snake of most beautiful color, the stripes and pides of which represented the seven colors of the rainbow. With that antipathy characteristic of a man to the serpent and the fulfillment of the adge, "The seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head," Mr. Cox hurled a "huge round stone" at the snake, and, to the wonder of the lookers on, the snake's body was severed in twain. To where the pieces were at this time lying it took but a very few seconds to reach the dying reptile. Once all eyes were taken from the snake, and then he was as whole as before, and apparently suffering no inconvenience from having been stoned. This very much surprised the young men, and the curiesity, for it was certainly such, was captured and a string placed around his neck and it brought to town. Here a really wonderful exhibition of the phenomenon began. As fast as piece from piece was pulled from the bedy of the writhing enciosity and thrown upon the ground, the links, for such they were, would as soon unite again. Nor was this separation of parts all the peculiarity about the monster. Upon the end of the tail was a horn. evidently a weapon of defense, about as long as a needle and evidently as sharp. It exhibited ne sign of viciousness, but of perfect resignation to its fate. The eye was as sharp as an eagle's and as blue as a June sky. Its length was about three or four feet and size proportionate. After its body had been completely severed link by link until the head was left to itself, this member then bore every mark of former vitality and the eye contained its former sparkling brilliancy. Truly this reptile is one of the seven wonders of which we read in holy writ, and even while we write a feeling of sacred sadness passes through

mark, says the Copenhagen correspondent of the St. James' Gazette, was thrilled by a general feeling of horror when the papers brought the details of the execution of a criminal in a provincial place the previous day-details which painfully remind one of the disgraceful manner in which Sofia Petrowskaya was executed last year at St. Petersburg. According to the Danish law criminals condemned to death suffer the last penalty of the law by decapitation by means of an ax, the block being placed at some conspicuous place as near as possible to the place where the murder was committed. A man condemned to death to be executed yesterday morning and, as usual, a large crowd of people from the surrounding districts had assembled round the spot, only one constable being present to keep order. When the usual formalities were gone through, the criminal laid his head on the block; but the eye and the hand of the executioner, who had been drinking heavily on the previous day, were uncertain, and the stroke fell over both shoulders, the criminal uttering a smothered cry of pain. The executioner wrenched the ax out of the wound, wielded it again, and struck the criminal high up on the back of the head; again he wrenched the ax out of the wound, and succeeded at last in cutting the head off. The crowd rushed to the headless trunk, some to try and catch some drops of blood, which the peasants think has some kind of magical effect to cure certain diseases; others to satisfy their morbid curiosity. In fact, a horrible and disgusting scene took place, several men and women fainting. Every one agrees that such a disgraceful spectacle must never more take place in Denmark, and the Minister of Justice has already, with praiseworthy speed, declared his intention to bring in a short bill providing for execution by means of the guillotine and within the precincts of a prison.

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NOTICE IS HERREY GIVEN THAT James office address is Pioche, Newada, have this day filed their application for a patent for aveacres of non-mineral land to be known as the Condor Millsite, situated in Lincoln town as the control of the condor Millsite, situated in Lincoln town as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post marked No. 1, U.S. Survey No. 37, whence the Wonsfourth post of Sec 27. Township 1. S. of range 68 E, bears 8 88 deg 18 min W.1735 feet, and the 8 E corner of the stone cabin at the mouth of Condor Canyon, bears N. 85 deg W. 20 feet, inence running lat course, N. 75 deg E 594 feet to post marked No. 2, U.S. Survey No. 37, from which post the smoke-stack of the Condor Mill bears 85 deg W. 56 feet; thence, 2nd course 8 75 deg 30 min E 330 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence, 5th course, S. 15 deg E 132 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence, 5th course, S. 15 deg W. 584 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg, W.594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg, W.594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg, W.594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg, W.594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg, W. 594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg, W. 594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg W. 594 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; thence 6th course, S. 75 deg W. 394 feet to post marked No. 3, U.S. Survey No. 37; then

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION ISSUED out of the Sixth Judicial District Court, in and for the County of Lincoln, State of Newda, and to me directed and delivered, for a judgment rendered in said Court on the 4th of September, A. D. 1882, is favor of Joseph Elsenmann and against John Kinney and wife, for the sum of four hundred and seventy 75-100 dollars, debt, together with two 28-100 (82.25) dollars, tax costs and all accrulage costs and interests, I have levied on the following property.

dollars, tax costs and all accroing costs and interests, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

One ten-horse power, I balance wheel, I barley cracker. 4 tumbling rods. 1 jack belt, at Jas. Butler's ranch in Pahrangat Valley, Lincoln County, Nevada. One Separator, at Bitco. Lincon County, Nevada. One Buckeye reaper and mower combined. 1 McCormick mower, 1 3k Fish wagon, the running gear of 13k wagon with three wheels, I bellows. 1 vise, 1 anvi. 1 grindstone. I screw plate. 1 wwedge hammer, 1 square. 1 rasp. 2 files, 1 one-horse iron axis wagon, 3 pitch forks. 1 wheelbarrow. 1 Meine blow. 1 mowing scythe, 4 mare mules—one mouse-color, tranded "B" on right thigh and "W" on right shoulder: one black, so brand, tail broke down; one dun, branded and vented "A C" on left shoulder and thigh; and one bay, branded "M" on left side of neck—and 2 double sets of harness. as I Thompson's ranch, in Fshrahagat Valley, Lincoln County, Nevada.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday. the 23d day of Sentember.

A. D. 1882, beginning at the hour of 12 o'clock w. of that day. I will sell all the right, title and interest of said Kinney and wife in and to the above described property, at the above named places in Pahranagat Valley, Lincoln County, Nevada, as public suction, for each in hand, to the highest and best bidder, to santisty said execution and all costs.

O. P SHERRWOOD, Sheriff.

By S. D. SMITH, Deputy Sheriff. selfid

Administratos Sale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON Monday, the 11th day of December, A. D. 1882, st 12 o'clock M. of that day, at the Court House door in Pioche. County of Liacolu, Siate of Nevada, the ranch known as "Bannetis Springs," situated on the road from Pioche to Hiko, in said county and State, and belonging to the estate of Engene Shannon, deceased, will be sold at Public Auction to the highest and best bidder. A splendid property with good title.

J. C. HENDERSON, Special Administrator of said Estat

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE IS HEREDT GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED, Administrator of the Estate of E. Coffee, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit the same, with the necessary vouchers, within four months from the first publication of this notice, to the undersigned, at the Law Office of Thompson Campbell, in Pieche, County of Lincoln, State of Nevada, as by order Sixth District Court, duly made on the Six day of October, A. D. 1882.

O. P. SHEERWOOD, Administrator.

Dated Pioche, November 4, 1882.